IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

MICHAEL MAES, Personal Representative of the Estate of Michael Maes, Jr., Deceased,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 1:21-cy-287 KWR/KRS

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT, et al.,

Defendants.

SCHEDULING ORDER

THIS MATTER comes before the Court following a telephonic Rule 16 scheduling conference held on June 15, 2021. At the hearing, the Court adopted the parties' proposed Joint Status Report and Provisional Discovery Plan, with slight modifications, as reflected in the dates below

Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the parties shall adhere to the following discovery plan:

- (a) Maximum of fifty (50) interrogatories to GEO Defendants and fifty (50) to NMCD Defendants. Both GEO and NMCD Defendants may serve fifty (50) interrogatories on Plaintiff. Responses due thirty (30) days after service.
- (b) Maximum of fifty (50) requests for admission to GEO Defendants and fifty (50) to NMCD Defendants. Both GEO and NMCD Defendants may serve fifty (50) requests for admission on Plaintiff. Responses due thirty (30) days after service.
- (c) Maximum of fifteen (15) depositions by Plaintiff and fifteen (15) by Defendants.

 Each deposition (other than of named parties) limited to maximum of four (4) hours unless extended by agreement of the parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following case management deadlines shall govern:

- (a) Deadline for Plaintiff to amend pleadings and join additional parties pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15: **July 15, 2021**;
- (b) Deadline for Defendants to amend pleadings and join additional parties pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15: **August 16, 2021**
- (c) Deadline for Plaintiff's expert reports: October 15, 2021;
- (d) Deadline for Defendants' expert reports: **December 1, 2021**;
- (e) Termination of discovery: February 25, 2022;
- (f) Deadline for supplementing discovery/disclosures: Thirty days of coming into possession of documents or things to which supplementation applies;
- (g) Motions relating to discovery: March 11, 2022;
- (h) All other motions: March 25, 2022;
- (i) Pretrial order: Plaintiff to Defendant by: April 22, 2022;

Defendant to Court by: May 6, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court must approve any changes to the timing or scope of discovery, other than the parties' agreement to extend the length of a deposition made during the deposition in question. Requests by a party to change the timing or scope of discovery, other than a mutual agreement to extend a deposition reached during the deposition, must be made by motion and before the termination of discovery or the expiration of any applicable deadline. Discovery must be completed on or before the termination of the discovery

¹ This deadline applies to motions related to the admissibility of experts or expert testimony that may require a *Daubert* hearing, but otherwise does not apply to motions *in limine*. The Court will set a motions *in limine* deadline in a separate order.

deadline. A written discovery request must be propounded by a date which ensures that the response to that request is due on or before the discovery deadline. The parties are further reminded that the cutoff for motions related to discovery does not relieve the party of the twenty-one (21) day time period under Local Rule 26.6 to challenge a party's objections to answering discovery. The parties are encouraged to review Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) to ensure they properly disclose *all* testifying witnesses, not just those for whom a report is required.

KEVIN R. SWEAZEA

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE